

**NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES**

AN ORDER OF THE BOARD

NO. A.I. 5(2025)

1 **IN THE MATTER OF** the **Automobile**
2 **Insurance Act**, RSNL 1990, c. A-22,
3 as amended and regulations
4 thereunder; and
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6 **IN THE MATTER OF** an application by
7 The Sovereign General Insurance
8 Company for approval to implement a
9 Revised rating program for its
10 Commercial and Interurban Vehicles
11 category of automobile insurance.
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14 **WHEREAS** on December 3, 2024 The Sovereign General Insurance Company (“Sovereign”)
15 applied to the Board for approval of a revised rating program under the IAO filing option for its
16 Commercial and Interurban Vehicles category of automobile insurance; and
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18 **WHEREAS** the IAO filing option may be used by insurers to adopt the most recent IAO rating
19 program accepted for use by the Board; and
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21 **WHEREAS** Sovereign does not have sufficient volume to justify a rating program based on
22 company-specific data; and
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24 **WHEREAS** Sovereign proposed to adopt the IAO rating program for Commercial and Interurban
25 Vehicles accepted for use by the Board in Information Bulletins A.I. 2024-03 and A.I. 2024-04,
26 respectively; and
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28 **WHEREAS** Sovereign proposed amendments to the deductibles in the Board-accepted IAO rating
29 program;
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31 **WHEREAS** the proposed rating program results in overall rate level changes of -14.4% and +7.5%
32 for Commercial and Interurban Vehicles, respectively; and

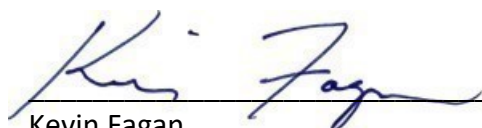
1 **WHEREAS** the revised rating program is filed in accordance with the IAO Filing Guidelines; and

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3 **WHEREAS** the Board is satisfied that the proposed rates are just and reasonable in the
4 circumstances, do not impair the solvency of the insurer, are not excessive in relation to the
5 financial circumstances of the insurer, and do not violate the **Automobile Insurance Act** or the
6 **Insurance Companies Act** or the respective regulations thereunder.

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9 **IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

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11 1. The revised rating program received December 3, 2024 from The Sovereign General Insurance
12 Company for its Commercial and Interurban Vehicles category of automobile insurance is
13 approved to be effective no sooner than May 27, 2025 for new business and renewals.

DATED at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this 6th day of February, 2025.




Kevin Fagan
Chair and Chief Executive Officer



John O'Brien, FCPA, FCA, CISA
Commissioner



Christopher Pike, LL.B., FCIP
Commissioner



Jo-Anne Galarneau
Board Secretary